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KARNATAKA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Monday 10th March, 1980 / Phalguna 20, 1901. S.E.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Vidhana Soudha, at Two of the Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER (SRI. P. VENKATARAMANA) in the Chair.]

SPEAKER'S MESSAGE

re.—Commonwealth Day

MR. SPEAKER.—Today, the 10th of March, is celebrated as the Commonwealth Day in London, the Queen ceremoniously addresses a Remembrance day at the West-Minster Abbey, where representatives of Commonwealth Countries read extracts from their scriptures. As requested by the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association I am reading a message which is as follows :

It seems appropriate that a Commonwealth Day Message has afforded me the first opportunity of communicating with all the Branches of the Association since my election in New Zealand as Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association. It is an honour to be able to serve in this capacity and I look forward to working constructively with all Branches throughout the Commonwealth.

Over the years, the Commonwealth has evolved into a major international organization with a membership of forty-to sovereign States. Not surprisingly therefore, its functions and activities have increased significantly and its role in international affairs has received great recognition. The relationship which has developed among its members is of inestimable value, not only because of the shared experiences and the consultative nature of the relationship, but also because of the practical nature of Commonwealth co-operation and its concern for matters with which we can all closely identify.

Within the Commonwealth, there is continuous wide-ranging inter-Governmental co-operation in such areas as education, health, youth law and various forms of technical assistance. It is however, the special responsibility of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

tion to actively encourage the growth and development of appropriate Parliamentary systems within the member States of the Commonwealth.

The Association therefore warmly welcomes Norfolk Island and the return of Bangladesh, Ghana and Switzerland to its membership and hopes that in the very near future, it will have the pleasure of receiving delegates from Nigeria and Zimbabwe Rhodesia at its conference.

As we observe the occasion of Commonwealth Day, it is my deep belief that this group of nations with its time-honoured traditions, rich diversities and strong sense of community will continue through its Parliamentarians, to inspire and provide leadership in the pursuit of new co-operative and mutually beneficial relationship among states of international community.

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MR. SPEAKER.—Now, the Hon. Chief Minister will make a statement.

SRI R. GUNDU RAO (Chief Minister).—Sir, the Hon. Members will recall my having assured them that as soon as the Sub-Divisional Magistrate.....

SRI C.M. ARUMUGHAM.—On a point of order. I have no objection for the Hon. Chief Minister to read his statement. It is only a procedural matter than I am raising now. You are aware that today is fixed for presenting the Budget by the Finance Minister. When the Budget is presented no other business should be transacted. Making a statement is a deviation; and when the Minister makes a statement, you will have to give some time for the Members to participate and discuss it. Allowing a Minister to make a statement on the day on which the Budget is presented, would be a deviation from all the established procedures and practice that this House is having for all these years.

AN. HON. MEMBER.—It is a convention.

SRI C.M. ARUMUGHAM.—It is not only a convention but is also in accordance with the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in this House. Therefore, when once you deviate, whatever may be the reason, you will have to permit us to participate and discuss the matter either before or after the budget is presented. And one thing else Sir, you were reading something regarding the Common Wealth Parliamentary Association, which I was not able to follow. I cannot question the Speaker because he has got inherent powers and I am